

GRANGE GOES AFTER NATIONAL PRIZE

Porterville Grange has entered a National Grange contest that has as its first prize a \$12,000 Grange hall, it was announced this week by L. N. Carpenter, Porterville Grange master, with members of the local contest committee being Lester Lamkin, Victor Bowker and Sam Creeks.

The prize, along with several lesser awards, will be given to the Grange that conducts the most active project program during the present year.

Already, the Porterville Grange has one piece of community work to its credit in assisting with securing of property on which to place the Doyle Colony fire house. Other community projects are being planned by Grange members and committee-men.

Next meeting of the Porterville Grange is scheduled for Monday evening, February 16, at 7:30 o'clock, in the American Legion hall, with Ralph Hooper, head of the Porterville High School Agricultural department, assisted by several students, to present a program in connection with National Future Farmer week.

ORANGE MEET SET

Elected delegates of the newly formed California Citrus Producers' association, will meet February 27 and 28 in Redlands to formulate plans concerning action on problems confronting the orange industry. Victor Bowker and Paul Moore, local grow-

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NATURAL GAS SERVICE IS SLATED FOR WOODVILLE

SCHOOL GROUP WILL JUDGE FAURE CATTLE

Practice judging of beef cattle will be the main feature of a program, scheduled tomorrow afternoon (Saturday) at 2 o'clock at the Cyrille Faure ranch for Future Farmers of Porterville Union High school.

Also invited to the meeting are members of the Veteran Agricultural classes at the high school and any interested Hereford breeders in the community. Assisting with the meeting will be R. L. Hooper, head of the high school agricultural department.

The cattle judging, and a discussion of ranching methods at the Faure place, is part of the practical training that goes with the Future Farmer program.

Anticipating National Future Farmer week, February 21-27, the local Future Farmer chapter is planning a radio broadcast and a special chapter meeting next week.

ers, will represent this area at the meeting.

Gas In Poplar About April 1

Natural gas will be available for use at Poplar about April 1, it was announced this week by officials of the Southern California Gas company, with staking of the new line actually under way at present.

It is expected that contract for the installation of mains and services will be let by March 1 and that in about 30 days from that time, gas will be in the lines.

Initial sign-up of Poplar residents for the new gas service has been completed. Announcement that natural gas was being brought to Poplar was made by the Southern California Gas company early in January.

SPORT COLUMN

Bill White's Sport Shots, an advertising column on sports is starting today as a weekly feature of The Farm Tribune.

Highest Quality Turkey Breeding Stock Is Being Produced At Tule River Ranch

The best turkey that it is possible to produce is not good enough to satisfy the exacting demands of Victor Bowker, Worth poultryman and citrus grower, who, this season at his Tule River ranch, has started a supervised trap-nesting program designed to eventually rate his flock of Broad Breasted Bronze turkeys as California-U. S. R. O. P. (Record of Production) approved and to later earn a rating of R. O. M. (Record of Merit.)

At the present time, Mr. Bowker who has the only flock south of Modesto that is able to meet qualifications for R.O.P. candidate birds and one of only eight such flocks in California, has 92 hens in his trap nesting program.

TWELVE TO PEN

Hens are placed 12 to a pen, with one Tom to each pen, and through trap nesting, a record is kept on each individual hen as to production and cycle of

Street Numbering Will Precede Actual Signup

Indicative of further community development in the Woodville area is the announcement, made today by the Southern California Gas company from the office of Division Manager George A. Porter, that natural gas service is to be made available in Woodville.

As the first preliminary move, all homes and business buildings in Woodville will be given an official street number. This numbering work will be conducted by the Gas company without charge and will include all buildings, regardless of whether or not the occupants or owner intend to sign for natural gas.

SIGN USERS

Second step will be the actual signing of gas users, with field representatives of the Southern California Gas company to start work in the Woodville area Monday morning, February 23.

TRAP NESTED TURKEY IS CHECKED



FARM TRIBUNE PHOTO

VICTOR BOWKER checks one of the Broad Breasted Bronze Turkeys that he is trap nesting at his Tule River ranch in the Worth district. Note the width of the bird's breast, which is considerably above the minimum breeding standard of three and one-half inches. Shown in the background are trap nest doorways, with wire gates that automatically close when a turkey enters the nest.

laying and each individual egg is identified and recorded for future checking purposes.

In order to qualify for the R. O. P. rating, a hen must lay 50 per cent over a given eight-week period, or 28 eggs. However, the R. O. P. rating cannot be given until the progeny of the hens is checked as to qualities as mature birds, which means that it will be more than a year before Mr. Bowker will be able to receive his anticipated flock rating.

In order for breeding stock to (Continued on Page 2)

EXTENSION MEETING AT ANSELMO DAIRY

Economical dairy feeding will be the subject discussed at a meeting to be conducted by C. L. Pelissier, assistant Tulare county farm advisor next Wednesday afternoon, February 18, at 1:30 o'clock at the Anselmo dairy on Burton avenue one-quarter mile east of the Burton school. All dairymen of the community are invited to attend.

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breeding program, designed to
improve the breed, is handled
through the Turkey Advisory
Board and is under supervision
of the United States and Cali-
fornia Departments of Agricul-
ture in connection with the Cali-
fornia Marketing act. Inspectors
constantly check flocks included
in the improvement program.In the overall picture, a num-
ber of factors are considered in
developing the improved turkey
breeding stock-egg production
and pattern of laying, egg fer-
tility, egg hatchability, liveabil-
ity of poults, growth of birds,
coloring and conformation. To
qualify as broad breasted Bronze
the turkeys must have a breast
width of at least three and one-
half inches.Aim is also to produce a bird
that reaches early maturity then
holds prime condition for a per-
iod of two months or so, at the
same time continuing to put on
weight, thereby giving the pro-
ducer more leeway in choosing
his markets.**County 4-H
Clubs Plan For
National Week**Tulare County 4-H clubs will
participate in the activities of
National 4-H Club week, March
1-7, 1948, according to John A.
Emo, assistant farm advisor.Enrollment in 4-H clubs in
California for 1947 was 13,629.
This is an increase over 1946
of more than 3,000 members. En-
rollment in Tulare county in-
creased from 547 in 1946 to
689 in 1947. At the present time
730 are enrolled in 35 clubs.The 4-H Council will observe
National 4-H Club week with
the third annual Sponsor's din-
ner on March 2 at Tulare. At
this dinner the 4-H clubs will
entertain the representatives of
organizations sponsoring them.
Knowles A. Ryerson, assistant
dean of the college of agriculture
will speak on opportunities inMr. Bowker, who has been in
the turkey business since 1935,
expects to increase his trap-
nested flock to 300 hens in the
future. He looks upon the var-
ious standards set up as mini-
mum only, and already, his flock
in many respects, is considerab-
ly above these minimum stand-
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ed in the Pullorum program
several years ago, is now rated
California-U. S. Pullorum clean.Principal sale from the Bow-
ker ranch at present is hatching
eggs, poults and breeding Toms,
although some meat birds are
also marketed. In starting his
breeding program last year,
Bowker selected only 400 birds
from 11,000 that he had at
that time.agriculture open to 4-H club
members.Fresno State college asks for
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ed on expected enrollment of 2,-
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games --- in a chivalrous spir-
it to the honor of our coun-
tries and the glory of
the sport."But it seems as
tho some
of the boys
have their
fingers crossed. If the games
demonstrate brotherly love, this
year has been the toughest
demonstration since Cain and
Abel. The U. S. hockey row
keyed the proceedings --- and
from there on the wraps were
of. Two of our bobsleds wereallegedly sabotaged, the Cana-
dian and Swedish hockey teams
got into a brawl, Palestine pull-
ed out and Russia refused to
compete. There was a time
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of residents have made application for gas service.

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A warning that the Bureau of Reclamation seeks to place California's agricultural economy in the hands of a federal monopoly which would control California water resources in perpetuity, was voiced by Ray B. Wiser, president of the California Farm Bureau federation at a meeting of farmers and business men held last week in Visalia.

Concerning Central Valley Project water, Wiser urged farmers and city residents alike to join in a statewide appeal to Congress to place specific safeguards in the Reclamation law which would protect water users against encroachment of their traditional water rights, as decreed by State laws.

DIFFERENCE STATED

The speaker said there is a vast difference between a public water utility, under which water users control their irrigation project and direct its operations, and a Federal water monopoly which would place farmers under the control of the Secretary of Interior and subject to his rules and regulations.

Wiser cited the character of the contract signed last month between the Bureau of Reclamation and an irrigation district in Nebraska, the provisions of which empowers the Secretary of Interior to instruct farmers what to plant, what rotation systems to follow and how to handle other cultural practices.

ACRE LIMITATION

Turning to the subject of the 160-acre limitation, Wiser said that at least eight separate investigations and studies have disclosed there is no practical way of applying this limitation to the Central Valley Project area.

The investigations, he cited, were made by the California Water Authority, the California Water Resources Board, Senator William Knowland, Senator Sheridan Downey, Governor Earl Warren, a special committee of the United States Senate, The

California Farm Bureau Federation.

"Even a special study made by representatives of the Bureau of Reclamation," he said, "Failed to agree on the 160-acre controversy."

LIMIT SET

Indicative of the extent to which Bureau of Reclamation social planners may go in California, if unopposed, Wiser said that some contract in the Columbia River project limit farmers to 40 acres and to a gross annual income of \$1,400.

Wiser stressed the need for the establishment of a sound water policy for California in terms of a much greater agricultural and industrial development — one which will serve double the State's current population of ten million.

"Now is the time," he said, "to develop our water resources because it will be much more costly later."

"This development, to take care of the State's growing population, must come through the initiative and work of a free people, under a free enterprise economy; not under bureaucratic regimentation and restrictive dictatorship in the hands of

social reformers."

ALTHOUSE SPEAKS

Persons attending the Visalia meeting went on record as opposing the 160 acre limitation, with only six votes favoring the limitation.

Also speaking at the meeting was Irvin Althouse, of Porterville, chairman of the Tulare County Farm Bureau Water committee, who told of history of the Central Valley Project. Roy R. McLain served as chairman of the meeting.

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Amendment Would Tie CVP Water To Land

The proposed D'Wart amendment to the Reclamation Act of 1939 through which water, as supplied by the Central Valley Project, would become appurtenant to the land, on which it is used, in perpetuity, will be up for hearing the middle of February in Washington.

Under present provisions of the Reclamation act, Central Valley Water can be contracted only on a 40-year basis, with

no water rights accruing to the land on which the water is used and with no assurance to the owner of land on which the water is used that the contract can be renewed after the 40-year period, nor as to what the terms of the renewal will be.

Also in the D'Wart amendment are provisions for a 50-year contract period rather than the present 40 and a provision for the granting of a five-year interim contract under which Central Valley Water could be used while negotiations are underway concerning the long-term contract.

Ronald B. Harris, Fresno attorney, will represent the California Irrigation Districts Associations at the Washington hearing. Contrary to published reports, Clarence Bradford, of Terra Bella, president of the Tulare County Irrigation Districts association, does not plan to attend the Washington hearing.

Cotton total in Kern county has passed 233,300 bales.

Citrus, Milk Water Subjects Of Committee

Meeting at Delano Sunday afternoon the Kern, Kings Tulare Farm Research and Legislative committee pledged support to hard pressed orange growers to aid them in securing a fair price for their product. The group voted to support a program that would cut the price spread between producer and consumer; to eliminate auction markets and to secure FOB prices to growers before the fruit is picked; to campaign for reduction of freight rates to eastern markets; and to fight any attempt to set up an intra-state pro-rate system.

The committee agreed that an increase in the price of retail milk as asked by many milk distributors at hearings being held throughout the state would react against the interest of the milk producer. An increase in the retail price would cut down the consumption of milk. This would cause a greater percentage of the dairyman's milk to be sold as "surplus" for which he would get a lower price than if it were sold as bottled milk. To increase the income of dairymen, the committee advocates return to the dairy subsidy program that was in force during

MARCH OF DIMES GROUP THANKS PUBLIC

Members of the local March of Dimes committee this week extended public thanks to those persons who supported the recently completed drive designed to raise funds to fight infantile paralysis.

San Jose judge has ruled that fruit belongs to the owner of the tree, regardless of where it may happen to fall.

the war.

The committee urges defeat of the amended Rockwell Bill which has just passed the House of Representatives and now goes to the Senate. This bill, if passed, would increase the cost to farmers of irrigation water and power from projects. The committee urges support of the Miller-Engle Bill which would authorize operation of the water and power facilities of Folsom Dam by the Bureau of Reclamation when the dam is completed by the Army Engineers. This would integrate the American River development into the comprehensive Central Valley Project.

Officers of the organization are Sam Miller, chairman, Terra Bella; W. W. McIntire, vice chairman, Earlimart; and Mrs. Catherine Sullivan, Secretary, Bakersfield.

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Barns - Wick Ranch Plans 4-H Meeting; Club Member Will Get Registered Gilt

Barns-Wick ranch, of Porterville, will play host to all 4-H

ally in California in recent years but only a small part of these were used for feed. Both of these by-products are valuable stock feed.

In a new bulletin of the College of Agriculture, sugar beet tops are shown to contain 9.7 per cent digestible protein and 59.2 per cent total digestible nutrients on a dry basis. One ton of beet tops is equal in total digestible nutrients to 450 pounds of barley or 700 pounds of hay. They may be successfully fed for fattening cattle or lambs, wintering pregnant ewes, or feeding dairy cattle.

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Further information about sugar beet by-products for feed is available to livestock producers in the new University of California bulletin, "Feeding Value of Sugar Beet By-Products," by H. R. Guilbert, R. F. Miller, and H. Goss, Animal Husbandrymen at the College of Agriculture, Davis. A free copy will be presented those who request it from the Farm Advisor's Office, Post Office Building, Visalia.

club members and 4-H leaders of Tulare county interested in swine projects at a meeting arranged at the ranch tomorrow morning (Saturday) at 10:30 o'clock.

During the meeting, a registered Poland China gilt will be given by the ranch to a Tulare county 4-H club member. The gilt will continue a project started last year when Roy Southwick, of the Barns-Wick ranch, gave a registered gilt to Ronnie Lear of the Oakdale 4-H club, to raise as a club project.

The gilt to be given Saturday is from the first litter of Lear's gilt and will serve to perpetuate the project.

During the Saturday meeting, information will be offered concerning hog feeding and several classes of swine will be judged. Farrowing houses and other ranch equipment will be inspected by the leaders and club members.

Assisting with the program will be John A. Emo, assistant Tulare county farm advisor.

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EXTENSION SERVICE SHOWS GAINS

Attendance at meetings of the Agricultural Extension service in Tulare county reached 27,427 persons in 1947 and Extension service men visited 6,109 homes and farms, to increase by 22 per cent the number of farm people contacted through meetings and by 25 per cent the number of people contacted on farms, according to Tulare County Farm Advisor William E. Gilfillan. More than 1,000,000 people attended Extension service meetings in California during the year.

SPRINGVILLE CLUB TO HOLD BOX SOCIAL

The Springville 4-H club will hold a Valentines' day box social at the Community hall in Springville, Saturday evening, February 14, beginning at 7 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

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Porterville 20-30 Club Offers \$200 Scholarship To High School Students

Offer of a \$200 yearly scholarship to high school students was made by the Porterville 20-30 club and was accepted with thanks by the Porterville Union High School district board of trustees at a regular meeting held Monday evening at the high school.

Boyd Eckard, chairman of the 20-30 scholarship committee, made the offer, explaining that "the purpose of this scholarship is to provide an incentive for the athletes and students leaders of Porterville Union High school to attain greater scholastic achievement which will qualify these students to seek education in institutions of higher learning and to initially aid in providing the means whereby they may begin such study."

COMMITTEE SELECTS

Detailed provisions of the basis for award are included in a paper filed with the board, with general factors considered in-

cluding: athletic achievements during high school years; scholarship, extra curricular activity and student offices held. School officials and a 20-30 club committee joined in final selection of a candidate each year.

Other matters of business before the board included a discussion of insurance adjustments in the face of increasing values, given by Aubrey M. Lumley Jr., and Earl Reid, of the Aubrey M. Lumley and Son Insurance agency.

The matter of increased night school instructor pay, now \$2.50 per hour at Porterville high school, was considered, but no action was taken, pending investigation of teacher loads in other schools of the area, when it was pointed out that only two schools in the area pay more and four pay less.

Also tabled, pending investigation, was a request for a mileage rate increase for supervisors

of the local Veterans' agricultural program. Amount now allowed is five cents per mile.

ENROLLMENT DROP

Discussed was a sharp drop in enrollment at Porterville junior college following the closing of the first semester, with the attendance figure for January 23 being in excess of 200 students, but on the following Monday, 140 students.

District Superintendent B. H. Grisemer stated that a similar drop has been reported in other junior colleges in the state.

Present at the Monday meeting were Board Members Dale Borrer, Springville; Francis Muller, Ducor; Rodgers Moore, Porterville and Mrs. Fanny Williams, Cotton Center.

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at the new Billingsley and Elliott Tractor Sales building on North Main street, Porterville, with Milton L. Chapman, general manager of the Products department of the California Fruit Growers Exchange, as the speaker of the evening.

Some tickets for the banquet may be obtained by farmers and business men at the chamber of commerce office, city hall building, in Porterville, according to Lester Hamilton, general chairman. Mr. Hamilton further states that plenty of turkey is guaranteed for the dinner, with Howard Smith, Porterville grocer and bakeryman, in charge of roasting and with assistance in food preparation being given by Bob McGee of the Forest service and by Andy Choate.

The Sunlight Bakery is donating rolls for the occasion and members of the Porterville Women's club are handling table decorations. Serving will be in charge of the Porterville 20-30 club.

Douglas Beattie, noted singer, is in charge of the musical program and the speaker was scheduled by Stanley Trueblood, manager of the Tulare County Fruit Exchange. The banquet marks the first in a series, to be extended over the years, featuring, each year, a local industry.

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Assemblyman Leaves For State Finance Sessions

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A "Washington's Birthday" dance will be held the evening of February 21 in the Poplar Grange hall under direction of the Poplar chamber of commerce.

a preliminary analysis of proposed budget by various departments of the State of California.

The preliminary work is being done in order that ways and means committee recommendations can be ready when the California legislature goes into session early in March.

In recent weeks, Assemblyman Johnson has attended several hearings in California relative to tax and finance policies of the state, with testimony presented by a variety of organizations and citizen groups.

General matters that are being given consideration by state legislators include: Should the State of California continue to build high reserves and what yardstick should be used to determine the size of state reserves.

Should the State of California tax for revenue sake only or should it also tax to reduce purchasing power in order to combat inflation.

What relationship should be maintained between major tax resources of the state on the basis of ability to pay and benefits of state services received.

What state services, if any, should be discontinued or curtailed in the interest of economy.

What action might the state of California take to reduce the high cost of living.

Should all state money and funds be subject to legislative audit, including highway funds.

"Camellias" Subject Of Next Garden Club Meet

"Camellias" will be the topic of the next meeting of the Garden Section of the Porterville Women's club, scheduled for February 23, at 2 P. M. at the clubhouse on E street in Porterville.

Mrs. Herman Matzke will present the program & as an added feature, Don Lewis, of the Forest Service will speak on "Evergreen Trees and How to Recognize Them." Mr. Lewis will also discuss trees that are suitable for growth in gardens and for civic planting.

At the first meeting of the Garden section, held recently, Mrs. A. W. Dagoberg, president of the Woman's club, told of the section's background and Mrs. Clark Simons, garden committee chairman, explained the purpose of the organization and outlined future projects as including garden tours, plant exchanges, planned study, flower arranging and the scheduling of special speakers.

Mrs. B. L. Price, Tulare County Garden chairman, outlined the county objectives concerning co-operation in city beautification and suggested the use of South and Central American plants that do well under local climatic conditions.

A discussion of Rose culture was given by Mrs. Vern Hilton, and, after adjourning to the Simons home, tea was served and a demonstration on rose pruning was given by Mac Halliday of the Green Thumb nursery.

Meetings of the garden section are being planned for the last Monday in each month, under direction of the club garden committee, composed of Mrs. Simons, Mrs. Allan Hilton and Mrs. Vern Hilton.

Attending the first meeting were Mesdames S. H. McLemore, Justin Ireton, B. L. Price, W. L. Lamkin, O. K. Wright, H. J. Meier, M. L. Poundstone, J.

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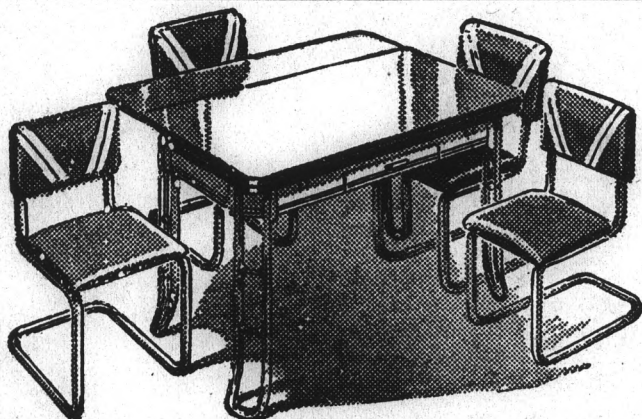
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Springville Judicial Township is the latest addition to the county "Justiciary."

Monday, the board of supervisors ordered the new judicial township to be known as the Springville Judicial Township to be created and formed out of

the territory comprising the Pleasant Valley and Mountain View voting precincts.

It was further ordered that Courtney Talbot be appointed justice of the peace and Andrew S. Hoover appointed as constable of said township.

The week has been an auspicious one on account of the bountiful rain we had, which has amounted to very near an inch. Monday night, a heavy wind visited the neighborhood but did no damage outside of blowing down part of the board fence of the Pioneer Stable on Main street.

A fire alarm was also turned in about 3 A. M. when a couple of wires got crossed. Several people got up and came to what they thought would be a fire but went back to bed when they found it was a false alarm.

A. G. Schultz, J. H. Williams and H. F. Brey will go to Los Angeles Sunday. The two former go to investigate lemon curing houses, as Mr. Williams plans to erect one at an early date while the latter will go to look for machinery for the La Mesa Chiquita Oil company and incidentally direct any stray investors this way.

The following enterprising citizens have built a foot-bridge across the slough west of the Ackerman residence and which is very useful as it saves a walk in coming from the depot to town; Mrs. McArthur, her son W. Meisner and Fred Ackerman.

Chester Doyle went to his Springville ranch, this week to bring out some apples.

A bomb exploded in Springville this week and shook the entire village from the belfry of the school house to the basement of the box factory. The match was applied by H. C. Tutt who started out to get a number of free-holders to sign an application asking the board of supervisors to grant him a license to retail liquor in the Springville Elk hall. Vibrations are still

Cover Crop Offers Drain On Water

Citrus growers are advised by Assistant Farm Advisor Clem Meith not to let cover crops compete with trees for scarce water. A heavy cover crop uses a good deal of water and if the amount of irrigation water is limited there is no reason for giving some of that water to a cover crop.

Where water is limited, the water used by a cover crop is probably of more value than the

being felt in town, but the ground is becoming steadier and none of the fruit trees were uprooted, so far as has been reported.

From Daunt and Milo come predictions of very high water since there is so much snow now down low & if a warm rain would come, it would start the streams booming.

Mrs. H. M. Hathaway took the Wednesday afternoon train for Exeter.

W. J. and E. B. Prettyman left for Angles Camp and other points, Tuesday. They are looking for a business location.

Arsenic & Old Lace To Be Presented

The famous stage play, "Arsenic and Old Lace" will be presented by the Pasadena Community Playhouse at the Porterville high school auditorium the evening of April 6 under sponsorship of the Porterville 20-30 club.

the cover crop itself. Meith advises citrus growers to disc in cover crops now. If there is a potential erosion problem in case of late rains, the cover crop can be mowed or broken down with a heavy drag and allowed to lie on the surface of the soil.

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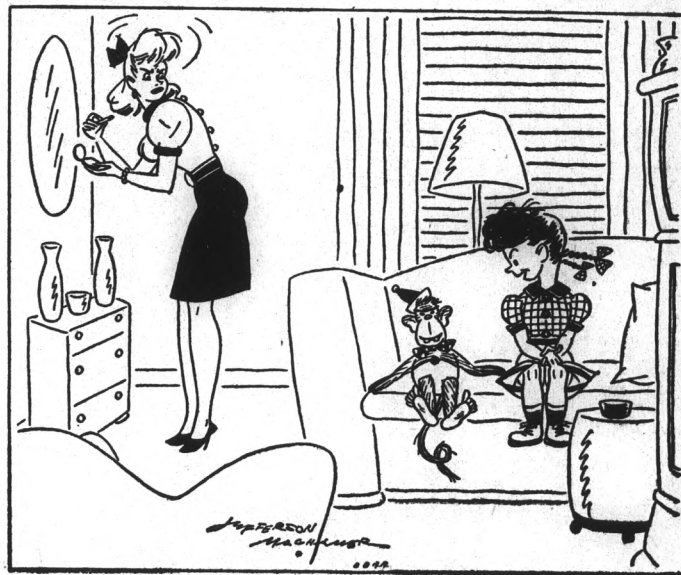
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Both roads were improved with federal assistance, the Poplar-Woodville road cost amounting to \$195,000; the West Olive job, \$57,500.

The estimated combined value of field crops grown in California in 1947 is \$64,672,000 a new record. This is about \$90,000,000, or 17 per cent above the 1946 record.

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LEADERSHIP AND KNOWLEDGE ARE KEY TO SUCCESS OF CITRUS ORGANIZATION

If the newly-formed California Citrus Producers' association is to succeed as an organization of citrus growers, there are five basic factors that must be recognized.

1. The organization must have strong, intelligent leadership. From the ranks of citrus growers must come leaders who have the capability, the time and the desire to work for the new association—leaders who can handle an organization of the magnitude that the California Citrus Producers' association must become if it is to exert any influence over existing citrus problems.

2. Through the elected representatives of growers, a thorough study of citrus problems on the local and national scale must be made. Information cannot be based on half truth or witticisms or wishful thinking. There must be hard, enlightened facts and logic behind all arguments, behind all plans, offered by the association.

3. Representatives of the association must have a complete knowledge of past actions, present plans and possible future plans of existing citrus marketing organizations. Hearsay concerning the handling of citrus products cannot be used as a basis for argument nor as a basis for recommendation.

4. There must be a recognition of area problems upon which a general growers' organization might not be able to agree. Such a problem could be the "maturity" marketing plan—a plan that has received strong support in southern California but that is undesirable to the point of being ruinous for the central California producer. Such problems must not be allowed to become center-points of bickering within the growers' association. Possibly they will have to be bypassed in the interest of the many other problems, without area aspect, that face the industry.

5. If the California Citrus Producers' association is to succeed as a true growers' organization, it must have the unqualified support of growers. Elected representatives must be chosen on a basis of capability then backed to the limit—otherwise the association will fail because it will have only the power to talk, not the power to act.

Basically, the orange grower wants some assurance of a price for his product that will make it profitable for him to remain in business—a desire that is no different from that of any other man who depends upon the soil for a living.

A strong organization of growers could assist in achieving this end, for, in effect, they could set up within their association a planning group or a steering committee or an advisory and action board (call it what you will) for the California citrus industry. The establishing of such a group is not an impossibility. But it is a tremendous job.

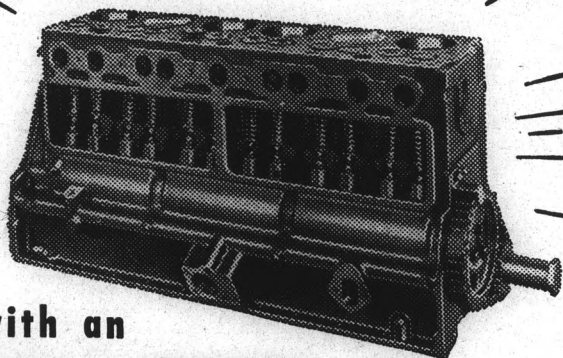
Great beneficial results are conceivable from a strong organization of citrus growers whose aim it is to assist in remedial action within the industry. And such a growers' organization, if conducted in the sincere interest of the grower and the industry, should be welcomed by existing citrus organizations.

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Ray Paden, Hanford farmer & Kings county Farm Bureau leader this week received the recommendation of the Tulare-Kings county Republican fact finding committee as the Republican candidate from the 36th district for the California assembly.

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R. J. Stull, hospital consultant and western representative of James A. Hamilton and associates, is expected to arrive in Porterville about the middle of February, although a contract to cover his services in connection with a preliminary hospital survey of the Sierra View district has been sent to the Minneapolis office of James A. Hamilton for approval.

In a telephone conversation with C. R. Williams, hospital district board chairman, however Mr. Stull said that he would probably be available for work in this district and that he expects to be able to gather sufficient data to file formal application for state and federal hospital construction funds prior to March 1.

At the present time, Mr. Stull is completing a hospital job in the northern part of the state. Contract offered by the Sierra View district board included only an initial survey of Sierra View district hospital needs and the preparing of necessary papers for state and federal fund application.

The Sierra View hospital district includes the Porterville Union High School district and a major portion of the Strathmore Union High School district.

Annual dinner of the California Hampshire Swine association is being held this evening at the Hotel Aragon in Madera, with a consignment sale of Hampshires slated for the Madera fairgrounds tomorrow afternoon.

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Cubs Participate In National Week

Cub Scouts of Pack No. 34, in the Doyle Colony area, participated during the past seven days in National Boy Scout week by wearing their uniforms daily and by arranging a Cub scouting display in the window of Wall's drug store in Doyle colony.

Plans for the participation were made at the regular monthly meeting held last week in the Doyle Colony school. In addition, a radio program for presentation over KTIP was planned.

During the meeting, which was opened by Den Chief Doyle Rymen, a Bear badge was presented to David Thompson by Mrs. Dorothy Thompson.

Attending the meeting were Bob Lefever, assistant cubmaster Mrs. Alta May Orosco, and Mrs. Dorothy Thompson, Den mothers; Doyle Rymen, den chief; Orville Thompson, pack committeeman and Boyse Orosco, Lester Sherry, Clifford Emerson, Allen Hawkins, David Thompson and Lowell Thompson.

Next meeting will be held at 7:30 P. M., February 27, at the Doyle Colony school.

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George Willett, of Huron, claims that dry ice and water dropped from his plane caused heavy rain in Coalinga area.

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